Thank-giving to the Lord in Both Home and Temple.

VARIOUS UNION SERVICES.

Observing the Darkened Lives of Those Stained With Sin, Prostrated by Disease and Enfecbled by Old Age.

The Day of Thanks.

The prediction of the weather bureau was fulfilled. The storm provailing in the north invaded the city during the night. Early morning offered lowering saics and plercing blasts as a welcome to those who had anticipated boiling weather for the great feast of thanks. It was a bleak winter's day, such as might be expected in January. The sin detariest to shine only at intervals and these fifth visitations were not sufficiently cheering to seduce resting people from their cosybonics. As a consequence, the Thanksgiving throng of gaily-attired and bright, merry people was wanting in the streets. The mortals who did venture forth, acted in the main wider compution and invariably sought the shelter of the buildings from the northern busits.

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The reserts in town suffered in both activfly and life, while the churches, although interested in union services, attracted but
tomparatively small andiences.

The bottes were well-filled however. The
rotucias throughout the day resounded with
the buze of conversation and peals of laughter, and the bars were liberally patronized.

In the last mentioned resorts the chief artist
took occasion to treat his customers to a sun
of his favorite punch, an elaborate mixture
in which he had exhausted his skill as well
as the resources of his cellar.

The hottels made cuborate appreads and
emblazoned the fact upon souvenir moun
cards of various and exquisite designs.

The mathness at the Boyd and Eden Musec
were largely attouced, but the great mass of
peoples sought rest and comfort at the fremany a family remain took place.

THE CHRISTIAN CITY.

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It is Eloquently Considered by the Hev. John Gordon.

The union services of the churches in the southwestern part of the city were held at the Heth-Eden Papitst church on Park ave-nue. The churches represented were the Westminister Presbytorian, St. Mary's Avo-nue Congregational, Beth-Edon Baptist, Hanscom Purk M. E. Newman M. E. Am-bler Place Presbyterian, Southwest Presbyrerian and Southwest Lutheran. The music was furnished by the choir of the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational cunich. The collec-tion taken for the benefit of the "Open

are sermon was preached by Rev. John Sordon, D.D., of the Westminister Presbyorian. The sociator chose for his subject. The Christian City." His texts were: Genesis iv., 17; "And Cain builted a city," toy-clations xxi, 2; "And I, John, saw the old on the control of the present of the control of the cont

theresisten, Fr. Flord Gain harmonical projections are all of the control of the people, by the people of the control of the property of the people of the p

car itsude a Caristian city before which the Canantic city will go down healibng. Then will oses no longer wink at the mention of "the Christian in politics." They will take off their hats when he is named.

Something of the sort is in the air. The chart day, at Battimore, the Roman catholic church took a stand an Sunday observance that theought it, at least on that issue, shoulder to shotled with the Protestant churches as never before. We all stand for the mearnshion, the atonement and the regeneration of the soul. United as to these fundamentals, may not we Protestants and Rome also jein in semi-sort of a working agreement, having law and order as the old protestanties in dur common schools, and the repeal of that logislation which, by its permission of facile divorce, threatens the very existence of the family.

Thus will we become co-ordinate parts of a Christian city, whose schools, and Christian city, whose schools, and Christian churches shall exist lowards each of the points of the commas, regenerating and upiliting indurences which shall existabilis somal life in its three great developments—the family, the state, and the church.

CIVIL S. RVICE REPORM

At Is Discussed by Rev. J. M. Wilson at Tenth Street M. F.
The coay little Methodist Episcopal church as South Tenth street was filled with representatives of the following churches: Castellar Presbyterian, Grace Presbyterian, Cistellar Methodist Episcopal, Berman Methodist Episcopal, Bohemian Presbyterian, and Tenth street Methodist Episcopal, The music consisted in the main of congregational singing, all joining with a seat in the good old fashioned brane.

The speaker was Rev. J. M. Wilson, pastor of the Grace Presbyterian church, who took for his topic. "Civil Service Reform," to which study he has devoned considerable attention. The following is an epitome of the alsocurse:

In the ancient city of Troy when the

ment, customs, and postal service. The spillious transvers as errors of reports and questions, and secures the endorsement of several citizens, if these are satisfactory, he is summoned before the examining beard and examined in general studies and if amplying for a position requiring technical knowledge is this also. He is graded, and if successful his name and standing are filled awaiting appointment. One important provision of the bill is that no assessment can be collected for political purposes from the government employes, and they are not allowed to use the property of the constitution of the bill is that no assessment can be collected for political purposes from the government employes, and they are not allowed to use the constitution of the Umaha politic and fire commission, and countily as successful.

The aystem which has been in force since the presidency of Andrew Jackson is the spoils system—to the victor belongs the spoils, and the souls appeared by the constitutional personal intumence were the chief decriping factors in appointments. This system is now crippied, but still struggles for supremacy.

The new system is infinity superior to that of pairounge. It is infinity superior to that of pairounge.

The merit system is theroughly American and constitutional, the spoils system is trynamical.

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Other Charches.

The Episconal churches of the city held union services at Trinity cathodral. The music was furnished by the cathodral choir, and consisted of two authors and a sole by Mrs. Cotton. It was the intention that Rev. Lloyd should deliver the sermon, but owing to a severe cold ne was trable to do so, and thishop Worthington was asked to take his place.

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Unlike hist Thanksgring, the cold desied to the convalencent immates of this bospital the privilege of the verandus. Like their hedridden fellows they were obliged to confine themselves within the walk, and to be content with the fifth rays of the san which struggled to relieve the dreamness of their condition.

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They were not forgotten, however, by the kind friends and charitally disposed secreto throughout the city. To them and the sisters in charge came turkeys, chickens, beef, venson, wine, pastry, vegetables, everything good for man and especially for sick men, all given whit the hope of cheering the condition of the conditi

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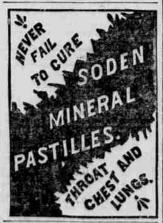
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